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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, Applicants wish to avoid leaving any impression in the file that the Examiner has stated all of the reasons that the claims are allowable over the art of record. The Examiner has given a reason for allowing each of the independent claims, but it will be understood that this does not preclude the presence of other reasons. This was a point the Examiner expressly noted in connection with the discussion of claim 26 wherein the wording "as exemplified by" was used. That such wording was not used in connection with the discussion of other claims does not mean that the Examiner did not appreciate there were alternative grounds for allowance of the other claims, as well

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